

REMARKS / ARGUMENTS

Claims 35-59 remain pending in this application. Claims 19-34 have been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer.

Priority

Applicants appreciate the Examiner's acknowledgment of the claim for priority and safe receipt of the priority document.

35 U.S.C. §§102 and 103

Claims 19-21, 28-29, 31 and 34 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as being anticipated by Cheriton et al (U.S. Patent No. 6,675,200). Claims 19-21 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as being anticipated by Yamamoto (U.S. Patent No. 2002/0152339). Claims 22-27, 30, 32 and 33 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Cheriton in view of Luby (U.S. Patent No. 6,320,520). These rejections are traversed as follows.

It is submitted that the new claims patentably define the present invention over the cited art. Applicants will present arguments during an interview with the Examiner that is scheduled for June 1, 2005.

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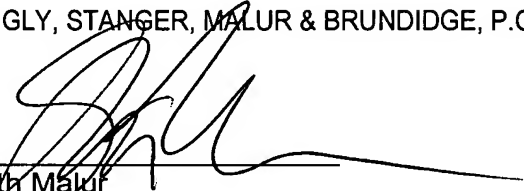
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Conclusion

In view of the foregoing, Applicant respectfully requests that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case.

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